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PROPHESIES
Predictions,

AND

Aſtrological PROGNOSTICATIONS,

Relating to ſundry Affairs in

Empires, Kingdoms, and States,

As they are in probability likely to fall out, and come to paſs in the Revolution of the great and remarkable Year

1691,

According to the Obſervation of the Learned.

Promiſing more particularly Glory and Succeſs

In *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*;

WITH

A Diſcouragement, Loſs, and Defeat to our Enemies, and the French Nation, and other remarkable Preſages.

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Propheſies, Predictions, and Aſtrological *Prognoſtications,* &c.

ALL Men muſt of neceſſity acknowledge an over-ruling Power the Buſineſs of Mankind, and that the Affairs of Kingdoms, Empires, and States are Moulded in Heaven, by the wiſe diſpoſal of the Governour of all things; even this the Heathens and Infidels, as well as Chriſtians, have held as an undeniable Truth, in all Ages; and therefore it can be no new Tenent or Doctrine to the knowing part of Mankind: and how far the Wiſe diſpoſer of all things has communicated the Effects to the Operation of the Cœleſtial Bodies, who hand many things to us by their Influences, in the way of ſecundary Cauſes, is in part left to the Art and Induſtry of the Learned to obſerve and tranſmit to thoſe whoſe Learning, or more inquiſitive Faculties are rendered uncapable of prying into ſuch nice Matters, through Imbecility, the hurry of Buſineſs, or many other Emergencies that are incident to our ſeveral Stations, or the Affairs of humane Life; therefore it will not be amiſs to lay down ſuch Conjecturals as may be profitable to ſome, and prejudicial to no good or underſtanding Proteſtant; alſo what may in all likelyhood remarkably fall out in the year 1691.

In the beginning of this year *Venus* is in the Square with *Saturn*, from whence ſome notorious Robberies, or ſuch like Depridations may be expected; but the Seaſon is not likely to afford any great matter of Action, abroad it being chiefly employed in Councils and preparation for Action: and the Square of *Jupiter* and *Mars* threaten ſuch as live by violence, rapine, and ſiniſter ways, with due puniſhment. Soon after we may expect ſome Action abroad, but of no great moment as yet, and *France* may

feel the effects of *Saturn*'s being in the point of the Sun's Direction in that King's Nativity, threatning change or alteration in State Affairs, Miſtruſt and doubts amongſt great Ones, and the Square of *Saturn* and the Sun threatens Death to ſome eminent Perſon. About the beginning of *March Mercury* gets into the Square of *Saturn*, ſo that from thence we may expect to hear ſome important News from abroad, and great Preparations going forward for the enſuing Campaign, and we may chance to hear of ſome light Skirmiſhes between Parties that are ſcouting abroad on the Frontiers of Allies, or peradventure ſomething notable, or ſome conſiderable News from Sea may arrive advantagious for this Kingdom.

High Winds are threatned at this time with great Storms, which unluckily prove to the Damage of the Merchants, whoſe Ships are at Sea, and ſome Damage may be expected at Land.

We find the Planets under the Earth upon the New Moon's beginning in *April*, alſo *Mars* and *Venus* in the Fourth Houſe, being in Square to *Saturn* in the Second Houſe, which may unluckily produce ſome Diſcontents in reſtleſs and uneaſie Spirits, and ſome heats may ariſe, and yet may either turn to no Account or elſe to the prejudice of thoſe that ſoment them: and towards the latter end of the Month good News is promiſed to *England*, with a very favourable Proſpect of Affairs; and perhaps we may hear of more great Advantages gained in *Ireland*: however we may not doubt to find a happy agreement and cheerfull Concurrence in our great Councils.

And now *May* coming on, and the Weather fair and wholeſome, we may expect Armies in motion, and ſome great Action towards. The Turk perhaps may be diveſted of part of his new Encroachments on the Empire or Imperial Territories and Acquiſitions, and the Face of things reſtored on that ſide, whilſt the French King, who by diverting the Arms of the Empire, has given this opportunity to the Infidels, may be rendered leſs formidable; and we may about this time expect many flying Stories abroad, ſpread perhaps on purpoſe to ſound the minds and inclination of the wavering and unſteady, but ſhall come to nothing in all likelyhood but the ſhame and diſgrace of the ſpreaders, who may thereby be the more openly expoſed and deteſted, and peradventure

adventure puniſhed according to their Demerits. And ſome Agues or Fevers are feared about this time, but not Epidemical.

Many Negotiations are expected about the beginning of *June*, and the Armies will be in motion, ſo that we may chance to hear of conſiderable Action in the Field, and perhaps ſome ſtrong Place beſieged and in diſtreſs, and no doubt on our part we ſhall have a good Account of Affairs, eſpecially in *Ireland*, where things are expected to go on very proſperouſly, and the Face of things that have been made ruinous by War and Devaſtation, will have time to breathe, and recover, ſo that the Husband-man may expect in quiet the effects of his Labour, and bring them to a very profitable Market.

July promiſes conſiderable Action abroad in Countries where the Seat of War is likely to be. Some Violences are threatned this Month, and may in likelyhood be done by private Perſons, as Duels, Murthers, *&c.* whoſe tragical Effects may turn to the ruine of the Actors.

The Tartars may near about this time ſeem to threaten *Poland*, or *Muſcovia*, with Inroads, but are likely to have little or no ſucceſs, thoſe very Nations being prepared to receive them, ſo that we may chance to hear of conſiderable Action in thoſe parts, as alſo on thoſe ſides where the Turks bend their Forces: *Conſtantinople* may ſeem to be threatned with ſome Diſorders; perhaps ſuch another Inſurrection of the Soldiery and Rabble as happened two years ſince. Some Commotions likewiſe are thought to threaten *France*, by the People's being inwardly diſturbed through grievous Taxes and Oppreſſions; for the New Moon this Tide looks with a threatning Aſpect on thoſe Countries under the Tyrannical Scepter of that Arbitrary Monarch.

Great Thunders and Lightnings may be expected about this time, and ſome ſudden Storms of Hail, or Rain, to the endamagement of Corn that is high grown. In *Auguſt* we may expect ſome Robberies committed in the Face of the Sun, and others more ſecretly under the Coverture of Darkneſs, from the effects of the Square of *Saturn*; and ſome People find themſelves reſtleſs and uneaſie, but their fretting proves vain and ridiculous, for the Nation ſtands generally well affected to baffle and overturn any fooliſh Projects or Devices that may be raiſed or conceived,

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and Popery ſtill grows to a lower Ebb; ſo that we may conjecture the Incidiary Prieſts and Jeſuits, who have ſculked in Corners, in hopes to raiſe Commotions, and ſet us at variance, finding their Harveſt blaſted, and their Labour fruitleſs, will be packing from whence they came, if ſome of them fall not ſhort by the way: ſo that Loyalty and Obedience ſhall take deep root, and flouriſh, to the Glory of the Engliſh Nation, who over and above are bleſſed with a plentifull Harveſt, and the ſafe Arrival of Merchants richly laden, from divers part of the World.

In *September* expect high Winds, from whoſe Effects we may probably hear of damages at Sea; but perhaps not conſiderable: and ſome Ships taken by Privateers, or Pyrates, and this may be conjectured from the latter Station of *Saturn* in 23 Degrees of *Scorpio*; and by that alſo *France* is threatned with ſome great Diſorder, and perhaps Scarcity and want of Supplies to carry on her further pernicious Deſigns; her Treaſures being exhauſted by a long, unneceſſary and vexatious War; and we may happen, though the Seaſon is ſo far advanced, to hear of ſome Action advantagious on our part to the diſcouragement of our Enemies, and the advancement of our Cauſe; and what ſay you, if by this time the Allies have footing in *France*.

In *October* we may juſtly expect News from divers parts of the World, of various kinds, and different Subjects; the Lunations conſiderably affecting *Mercury* by Aſpect and Poſition, and in this Month we find him turned Retrograde in oppoſition to the Moon, and both in ſquare to the place of the laſt conſiderable Conjunction in *Leo*, ſo that great Storms may be expected, with flouds and over-flowings of Rivers in divers places, occaſioning harm at Land and Sea; but for the moſt part look for fair and temperate Weather, ſutable to the Seaſon of the year ſo far advanced; and the Armies abroad begin to retire into Winter Quarters, after having made conſiderable Progreſſes; and *England* is promiſed much Tranquility, her Fears being blown over.

In *November* nothing very conſiderable can be expected, unleſs in Councils and Conſultations to ripen things for a further opportunity: yet ſomething more is hinted at by the Stars, but ſo imperfectly ſignified and obſcured, that it may be very difficult to make a true Judgement; however according to the Poſition of the

the Aſpects, nothing of great moment can happen; and what moſt appears is perhaps ſome Feuds amongſt private Men, which by the Mediation of Friends may come to a friendly reconcilement; and this may be pointed at by *Mars* his being in *Gemini*: but as to further Matters nothing extraordinary appears, unleſs the riſe and ſcarcity of ſome Commodities brought from forreign parts, made ſo by Loſſes at Sea, and the unſecure Paſſage obſtructed by Rovers and Sea-Robbers; however, the Manufacture of *England* will in all likelyhood make amends, by being increaſed and improved by the Ingenuity and Induſtry of its Natives; ſo that poor People are like to get more Employment than heretofore, to the enabling them to ſupport and maintain their Families, without being chargeable to others.

December brings in cold Weather, with a likelyhood of Froſt and Snow, ſo that it is a Month wherein no great Action can be expected: though undoubtedly Councils in many State and Kingdoms will act under the benign Influence of the auſpicious Conſtellations that point their favourable Rays at us; but the effects of theſe Councils may not ſo ſoon operate: for near this time five of the Planets were in conjunction under the Earth, and four of them ſoon after in *Sagittary*, under the Earth likewiſe, and from theſe, many Conſiderations may be drawn of favourable Influence to Governours and Government, and a defeat of Deſigns that may be laid to make any diſturbance, or trouble People that labour to be at quiet; and ſome Perſons who love to be troubleſome and vexatious may happen to ſmart for it, if the Royal Clemency interpoſe not. Theſe are briefly the Conſiderations of this great and remarkable Year, on which the Eyes of the World are already fixed, as to ſuch Aſtrological Conjecturals as may in probability come to paſs, as to particulars: It now remains that ſomething be ſaid in general.

Many notable Conſtellations ſeem to conſult, or, as in our more vulgar Phraſe, lay their Heads together to promote the Intereſt of theſe Kingdoms, which we hope God, the great and wiſe Diſpoſer of all things, will turn to our Advantage; and that we may ſo improve them, as giving Glory to God for his many Mercies and Favours, he may be pleaſed to continue his Bleſſing and Protection towards us, and turn the Devices of our Ene-

Enemies into Fooliſhneſs: We muſt with ſhame and confuſion of Face acknowledge that we have ſinned againſt his Mercies and Goodneſs, though he has not dealt ſo wonderfully with other Nations as with us, in ſo great and miraculous Deliverances, when we were upon the brink of Ruine, it was of his Mercy indeed, that we fell not before thoſe that roſe up ſo full of Wrath againſt us; yet he not only delivered us, and put our Foes to rout and confuſion, but he ſtill loads us with Bleſſing and Succeſs, and commands even the Stars in their Courſe to fight for us againſt our Enemies, as they did againſt *Siſera*, in the day he viſited his People *Iſrael* with a mighty Deliverance; yet we muſt not expect God will do all for us, unleſs we make ſutable Returns as far as is in our power, by praiſing and adoring his Holy Name, who is the Author and Giver of all that we enjoy; then ſhall we proſper abroad and at home, our Arms ſhall be proſperous, and our Foes ſhall flye before us: Plenty ſhall fill our Houſes and our Stores, and Peace ſhall be within our Borders; the Influences of Heaven, as ſecond Cauſes, guided by the firſt Mover of all things, ſhall ſhape their Influences to our Advantage, and every thing ſhall be propitious and favourable; ſo that our Enemies perceiving the Hand of God againſt them, ſhall be weary, and give over their Enterprizes, or be aſhamed of the rebuke Heaven has thrown upon them. Let us then comply with God's Terms for ſafety and preſervation, and then we need not fear what Man can do unto us. This may ſuffice the Reader, as to theſe things, and for this memorable Year 1691.

FINIS.